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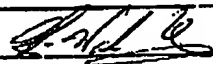
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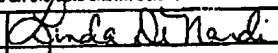
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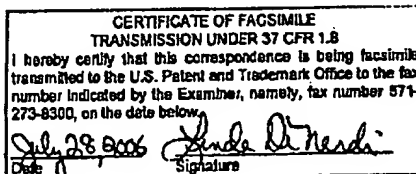
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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF
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In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated March 15, 2005, Applicants' representative contacted Examiner Paul Callahan and SPE Andrew Caldwell on March 23, 2005 by telephone to discuss the Notice of Abandonment. It was determined that the Notice of Abandonment was issued in error. Applicants' record indicated that the Examiner will retract the Notice of Abandonment without any action to be taken by the Applicants.

However, upon further inquiry, it was determined that the Notice of Abandonment was not retracted. Applicants' representative contacted Examiner Callahan on July 28, 2006 and the Examiner indicated that if a Request for Reconsideration is submitted, the Examiner will retract the Notice of Abandonment.

Applicants respectfully request that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn given that the Appeal Brief was timely filed. Although Applicants believe that no

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additional fees are due in connection with this request, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/SAR13070, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Kin-Wah Tong, Esq. at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

July 28, 2006

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